I Fully Support the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) petition designated RM-10870. By establishing the new "Communicator" entry-level license and eliminating the requirement altogether for testing of Morse code. I believe it is a progressive approach to better the future of Amateur Radio. The Amateur licensing system does need restructuring.

As stated in the NCVEC petition, upgrade all current Novices to Communicator class, all current Technician and Tech Plus (Technician with Element 1 credit) licensees to General and all Advanced class licensees to Amateur Extra without further testing. As stated "there is no effective difference between the Technician and General class licenses once the requirement for morse code is removed."

I support the new Communicator ticket with a power limit of 100 W on bands below 24 MHz and 50 W on all frequencies above 24 MHz. Additionally the requirement of a Communicator licensees to use commercially manufactured equipment (or gear built from a commercial kit).

Thanks for allowing me to comment.

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